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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A child seat restraining device is disclosed having a stationary base with a securing mechanism for securing the base to a vehicle seat. A mobile platform is movably attached to the base and is selectively movable in a plane substantially parallel with respect to the stationary base between a first ready position and a second loading position. Optionally, the mobile platform is rotatable with respect to the base. A locking mechanism is provided for releasably locking the mobile platform into the ready position, and a child seat securing apparatus is provided to removably secure the child seat to the mobile platform. In one embodiment, a rotating platform is mounted to the mobile platform and the child seat is secured to the rotating platform. Alternatively, a rotating platform is mounted between the base and mobile platform, and the child seat is secured to the mobile platform. Optionally, integral lips secure the platforms to one another, and a convenient handle is formed in the mobile platform. In further alternate embodiments, the uppermost platform of the device is either a child seat base or a child seating member, optionally removably mounted. The device allows for convenient loading and unloading of a child or child seat into and out of the center position of a vehicle seat.